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Dear : Sir/Madam

The International Bureau has received on 21 October 2004 (21.10.04) via facsimile your correspondences regarding the status of the above-mentioned application.

Please be informed of the following:

(i) with the filing of the power(s) of attorney filed in your favour by the applicant of record - TYCO HEALTHCARE GROUP, LP and by SHERWOOD SERVICES AG - the latter mentioned has been duly recorded as the new applicant for all designated States except the United States of America, and

(ii) with the filing of the powers of attorney duly signed by all the applicants and applicants/inventors, you and your firm have been recorded as the new agent for the applicants (see Forms PCT/IB/306, Notification of the Recording of a Change, enclosed.)

Concerning the correction of the Priority Claim, this was already executed on 22 March 2004 (22.03.04), and the former agent was notified accordingly. (A copy of Form PCT/IB/318 issued on the given date is enclosed.)

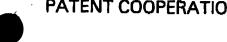
Should you have any further questions regarding this application, please do not hesitate to contact us at the International Bureau.

With best regards,

Frederick Samuels

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PATENT COOPERATION TREA

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU PCT To: NOTIFICATION OF THE RECORDING CARTER, David, M. Carter, Deluca, Farrell & Schmidt, OF A CHANGE (PCT Rule 92bis.1 and 445 Broad Hollow Road Administrative Instructions, Section 422) Suite 225 Melville, NY 11747 United States of America Date of mailing (day/month/year) 09 November 2004 (09.11.2004) Applicant's or agent's file reference IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION 2134CONCIPPCT International application No. International filing date (day/month/year) PCT/US2003/017335 03 June 2003 (03.06.2003) The following indications appeared on record concerning: X the applicant the inventor the agent the common representative Name and Address State of Nationality State of Residence TYCO HELTHCARE GROUP, LP US US 150 Glover Avenue Telephone No. Norwalk, CT 06856 United States of America Facsimile No. Teleprinter No. 2. The International Bureau hereby notifies the applicant that the following change has been recorded concerning: X the person X the name X the address X the nationality X the residence State of Residence Name and Address State of Nationality SHERWOOD SERVICES AG CH CH Bahnofstrasse 29 Telephone No. CH-8200 Schaffhausen Switzerland Facsimile No. Teleprinter No. 3. Further observations, if necessary: The person appearing in Box 2 has been recorded as applicant for all designated States 4. A copy of this notification has been sent to: the receiving Office the designated Offices concerned the International Searching Authority the elected Offices concerned the International Preliminary Examining Authority other: Authorized officer The International Bureau of WiPO 34, chemin des Colombettes

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2134CONCIPPCT	1	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION		
International application No. PCT/US2003/017335		International filing date (day/month/year) 03 June 2003 (03.06.2003)		
1. The following indications appeared on record concerning:				
the applicant the inventor	X the age	the comm	on representative	
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United Surgical Corporation Tyco Healthcare Group, LP 150 Glover Avenue		Telephone No. (203)845-1000		
Norwalk, CT 06856 United States of America		Facsimile No.		
		(203)846-5988		
		Teleprinter No.		
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Name and Address		State of Nationality	State of Residence	
CARTER, David, M. Carter, Deluca, Farrell & Schmidt,		Telephone No.		
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Suite 225 Melville, NY 11747		Facsimile No.		
United States of America		(631)-501-3526		
		Teleprinter No.		
3. Further observations, if necessary: The person appearing in Box 2 has been recorded as agent for the applicants, and will hereafter receive all correspondences in relation to this application.				
4. A copy of this notification has been sent to:				
X the receiving Office		X the designated Offices concerned		
the International Searching Authority		the elected Offices concerned		
the International Preliminary Examining Authority other:				
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NOTIFICATION RELATING TO PRIORITY CLAIM

(PCT Rules 26bis.1 and 26bis.2 and Administrative Instructions, Sections 402 and 409)

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

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DENNIGER, Douglas, E. United Surgical Corporation Tyco Healthcare Group, LP 150 Glover Avenue Norwalk, CT 06856 United States of America

Date of mailing (day/month/year)

22 March 2004 (22.03.2004)

Applicant's or agent's file reference
2134CONCIPPCT

International application No.
PCT/US2003/017335

Applicant

TYCO HELTHCARE GROUP, LP et al

The applicant is hereby notified of the following in respect of the priority claim(s) made in the international application.		
1. Correction of priority claim. In accordance with the applicant's notice received on: , the following priority claim has been corrected to read as follows:		
even though the indication of the number of the earlier application is missing.		
even though the following indication in the priority claim is not the same as the corresponding indication appearing in the priority document:		
2. Addition of priority claim. In accordance with the applicant's notice received on: , the following priority claim has been added:		
even though the indication of the number of the earlier application is missing.		
even though the following indication in the priority claim is not the same as the corresponding indication appearing in the priority document:		
3. As a result of the correction and/or addition of (a) priority claim(s) under items 1 and/or 2, the (earliest) priority date is:		
4. X Priority claim considered not to have been made.		
The applicant failed to respond to the Invitation under Rule 26bis.2(a) (Form PCT/IB/316) within the prescribed time limit.		
The applicant's notice was received after the expiration of the prescribed time limit under Rule 26bis 1(a).		
The applicant's notice failed to correct the priority claim so as to comply with the requirements of Rule 4.10.		
The applicant may, before the technical preparations for international publication have been completed and subject to the payment of a fee, request the International Bureau to publish, together with the international application, information concerning the priority claim. See Rule 26bis.2(c) and the PCT Applicant's Guide, Volume I, Annex B2(IB).		
5. X In case where multiple priorities have been claimed, the above item(s) relate to the following priority claim(s):		
US 14 November 1997 (14.11.1997) 08/970,472		
US 09 June 2000 (09.06.2000) 09/591,330		
6. A copy of this notification has been sent to the receiving Office and to the International Searching Authority (where the international search report has not yet been issued).		
X the designated Offices (which have already been notified of the receipt of the record copy).		

The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Authorized officer

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